January 26, 2004

Governor Bob Riley State Capitol 600 Dexter Avenue, Room N-104 Montgomery, Alabama 36130

Dear Governor Riley:

Pursuant, §34-17A-24, Code of Alabama, 1975, the Alabama Board of Examiners in Marriage and Family Therapy is required to make an annual report to the Governor. I, therefore, provide the following information for your records.

The Alabama Board of Examiners in Marriage and Family Therapy Act is enacted to safeguard the public health, safety, and welfare, and to assure the availability of high quality marriage and family therapy services to persons in need of such services.

The board has approximately 250 licensees and meets quarterly to conduct board business. The board has a web site at www.mft.state.al.us with the law, rules and regulations, forms and roster of licensees available. Also, the board publishes an annual newsletter to keep licensees informed on all ABEMFT business and issues.

The board consists of five members. Appointments are not current at this time. Recommendations have been made by the Alabama Association of Marriage and Family Therapy and sent to the Appointments Secretary. The board currently consists of two (2) female members and one (1) minority member. To the extent possible, the board reflects the geographic, gender, and racial diversity of the state as a whole. The board is further composed of one (1) MFT Educator, one (1) Public Member, and three (3) Practicing Members as required by statute.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Paula McCaleb Executive Director